GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LAW AND JUSTICE
LOK SABHA

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REVIEW OF THE WORKING OF THE CONSTITUTION
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Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Union Government has constituted a Commission to review the Constitution;

(b) if so, the details of the recommendations made by the Commission in its report;and

(c) the implementation status of the report as on date?

Answer

MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI H.R. BHARDWAJ)

(a)&(b): Yes, Sir. The National Commission to Review the Working of the Constitution was set up on 221`1 February, 2000. The Commission has submitted its report to the Government on 31st March, 2002. The Commission has made various recommendations pertaining to
(i) Fundamental Rights, Directive Principles and Fundamental Duties;
(ii) Electoral Processes and Political Parties;
(iii) Parliament and State Legislatures;
(iv) Executive and Public Administration;
(v) The Judiciary;
(vi) Union-state Relations;
(vii) Decentralisation and Devolution; and
(viii) Pace of Socio-Economic change and Development. The recommendations involve amendments to the Constitution, Legislative measures and executive action. The full text of the report of the Commission has been put on the Internetwww.lawmin.nic.in).

(c) Action on the recommendations lies with the Ministries/Departments of the Government of India, which are administratively concerned with the subject matter of the recommendations. Copies of the report have already been forwarded to the Ministries/Departments.